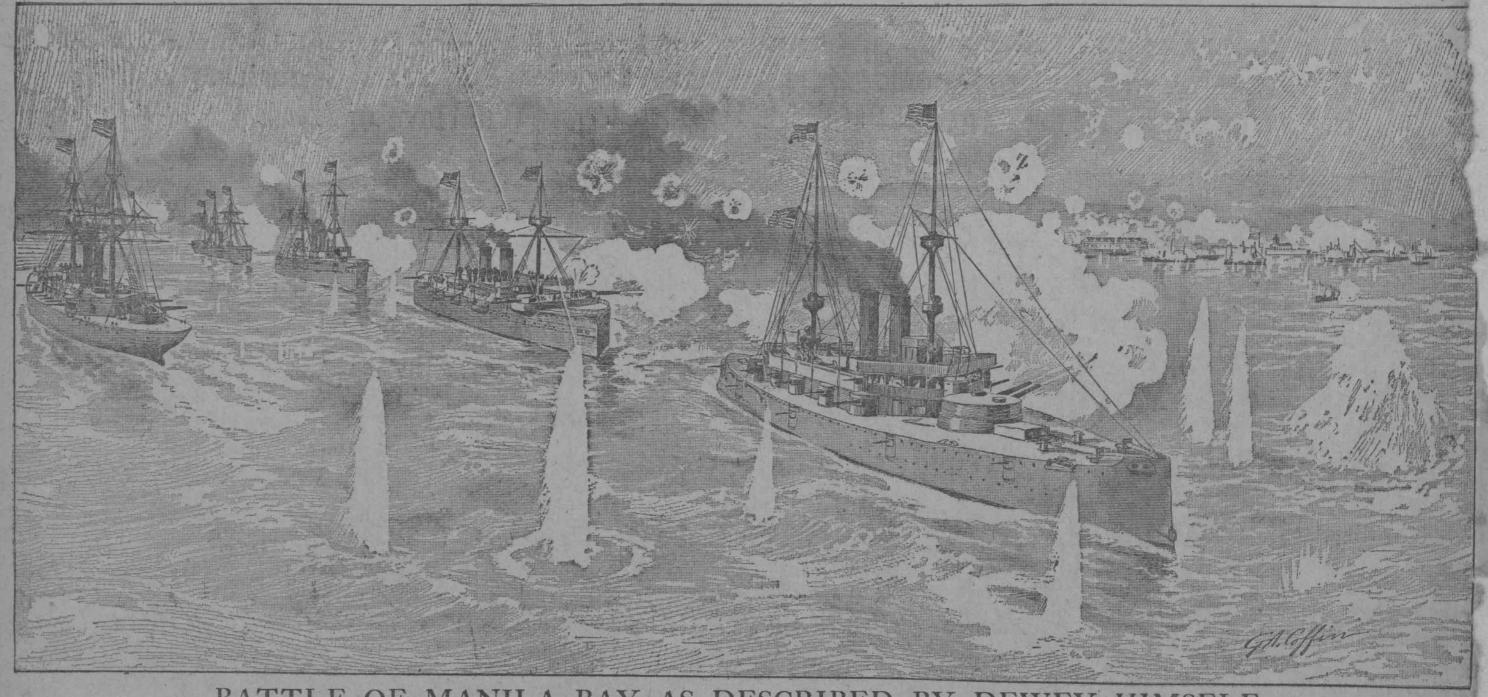
100,000,000 GRATEFUL PEOPLE HAIL TO-MORROW AS "DEWEY DAY."



BATTLE OF MANILA BAY AS DESCRIBED BY DEWEY HIMSELF.

[Being His Official Report of the Engagement.]

30, and finding no vessels there, proceeded down the coast and arrived off the entrance to Manila Bay on the same afternoon. The Boston and Concord were sent the Concord, but the Spanish fleet was not found.

Entered the south channel at 11:30 p. m., steaming in column at eight knots. After half the squadron had passed, a battery on the south side of the channel opened fire, none of line and come out to engage at short range, but was received with such galling fire, the plete manner possible. The Spanish lost the following vessels: Sunk-Reina Christina, the shots taking effect. The Boston and McCulloch returned the fire.

The squadron proceeded across the bay at slow speed and arrived off Manila at daybreak and was fired upon at 5:15 a. m. by three batteries at Manila and two near Cavite, and by the Spanish fleet anchored in an approximately east and west line across the mouth of Baker Bay, with their left in shoal water in Canacao Bay.

The squadron then proceeded to the attack, the flagship Olympia, under my personal direction, leading, followed at distance by the Baltimore, Raleigh, Petrel, Concord and Boston, in the order named, which fomation was maintained throughout the action.

The squadron opened fire at 5:41 a. m. While advancing to the attack two mines were exploded ahead of the flagship, too far to be effective. The squadron maintained a continuous and precise fire, at ranges varying from 5,000 to 2,000 yards, counter-marching

HE squadron left Mirs Bay on April 27. Arrived off Bolinao on the morning of April in a line approximately parallel to that of the Spanish flagship and almost the entire Spanish but generally ineffective.

Early in the engagement two launches put out toward the Olympia with the apto reconnoitre Port Suble." A thorough search of the port was made by the Boston and parent intention of using torpedoes. One was sunk and the other disabled by our fire and beached before an opportunity occurred to fire torpedoes.

At 7 a. m. the Spanish flagship Reina Christina made a desperate attempt to leave the entire battery of the Olympia being concentrated upon her, that she was barely able to return to the shelter of the point.

The fires started in her by our shell at this time were not extinguished until she sank. The three batteries at Manila had kept up a continuous report from the beginning of the engagement, which fire was not returned by this squadron. The first of these batteries was situated on the south mole head, at the entrance to the Pasig River; the second on the south bastion of the walled city of Manila and the third at Malate, about one-half mile

At this point I sent a message to the Governor-General to the effect that if the batter-At 7:35 a. m. I ceased firing and withdrew the squadron for breakfast. At 11:16 a. m. re-

fleet were in flames. At 12:30 p. m. the squadron ceased firing, the batteries being silence and the ships sunk, burnt and deserted. At 12:40 p. m. the squadron returned and a chored off aMnila, the Petrel being left behind to complete the destruction of the smaller gunboats, which were behind the point of Cavite.

This duty was performed by Commander E. P. Wood in the most expeditious and com-Castilla, Don Antonio de Ulloa; burnt-Don Juan de Austria, Isle de Luzon, Isle de Cuba, General Lezo, Marquis del Duero, El Correo Velasco and Isla de Mindano (transport); captured-Rapido and Hercules (tugs) and several small launches.

I am unable to obtain complete accounts of the enemy's killed and wo lieve their losses to be very heavy. The Reina Christina alone had one hundred and fifty killed, including the captain, and ninety wounded. I am happy to report that the damage done to the squadron under my command was inconsiderable. There were none

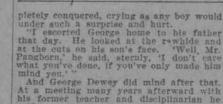
killed and only seven men in the squadron slightly wounded.

Several of the vessels were struck and even penetrated, but the damage was of the slightest, and the squadron is in as good condition now as before the battle.

I beg to state to the department that I doubt if any commander-in-chief was ever served by more loyal, efficient and gallant captains than those of the squadron now under

ies did not cease firing the city would be shelled. This had the effect of silencing them.

rge's face as he sang it. Almost from the could talk, his hopes, his am-The department fully appreciates the esteem in which Admiral Dewey is held. His fame is secure. A patriotic recognition of his work and of the officers and men under his command will







Woman a Cyclist at 93. An aged widow near Dumnow is proh-ably the oldest living cyclist. She was born ninety-three years ago, and recently bought a bleycle, on which she journeys frequently to and from the village for her shopping and visiting. She informs in-

quirers that she feels better for the exercise, and regrets that Mr. Gladstone had not taken to cycling.—Birmingham Post.

